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SUBJECT: IEA: PRELIMINARY POSITION PAPERS FOR  
PREPARATORY MEETING BETWEEN PRODUCERS AND CONSUMERS

TRANSMITTED BELOW IS FIRST DRAFT FOR A PRELIMINARY  
POSITION PAPER(S) CONCERNING ITEM VI.

BEGIN TEXT

IEA POSITION PAPER

VI (DEFENSIVE) "THE NEW ECONOMIC ORDER"

(UNITED KINGDOM DRAFT)

LINE TO TAKE

(1) WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE WHICH THE DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES ATTACH TO THE CONCEPT OF THE N.I.F.O.

(11) WE SHALL DO OUR BEST TO TAKE ACCOUNT OF THE  
LEGITIMATE ASPIRATIONS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

(111) HOWEVER, THERE ARE ALSO INTERESTS WHICH THE  
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INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES ARE NOT PREPARED TO SACRIFICE.

WE SHOULD SEEK TO FOCUS ATTENTION ON AREAS WHERE PROGRESS CAN BE MADE. A CONTINUATION OF THE STERILE CONFRONTATION OF RECENT YEARS IS NOT IN ANYONE'S INTEREST.

(IV) THE INDUSTRIALISED COUNTRIES' AIM IS TO PURSUE A CONSTRUCTIVE AND REALISTIC DIALOGUE WITH THE PRODUCERS. WE MUST SEEK TO RESOLVE THE CONTENTIOUS ISSUES THROUGH CONSENSUS. WE ARE READY TO BE FLEXIBLE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE THE ORDERLY AND EQUITABLE EVOLUTION OF THE WORLD ECONOMY.

(V) WE HAVE ALREADY ACHIEVED A GREAT DEAL. THE LIMA CONVENTION IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE BENEFITS WHICH COULD FLOW FROM PRACTICAL CO-OPERATION RATHER THAN "CONFRONTATION". OTHER RECENT EXAMPLES ARE:

(A) THE RELATIONSHIP WHICH HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE E.E.C. AND THE ASIAN DECLARATION OF INTENT COUNTRIES.

(B) THE MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS IN GATT WHICH ARE CURRENTLY GIVING SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

(C) THE GENERALISED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES WHICH HAS BEEN DRAWN UP IN UNCTAD.

(VI) WE SHALL CONTINUE TO DISCUSS THE ISSUES OF THE N.I.E.O. IN THE INTERNATIONAL BODIES CLOSELY CONCERNED SUCH AS UNCTAD, ECOSOC, UNIDO, GATT, ETC. THERE WILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A MAJOR REVIEW AT THE VII SPECIAL SESSION IN SEPTEMBER.

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2. THE CONCEPT OF THE N.I.E.O. HAS COME INTO  
PROMINENCE OVER THE LAST EIGHTEEN MONTHS OR SO AS  
DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE BEGUN TO TURN THEIR  
ATTENTION TOWARDS GAINING A GREATER SAY IN THE  
CONTROL OF THEIR OWN ECONOMIES AND OF THE WORLD  
ECONOMY IN GENERAL. THE SUCCESS OF THE O.P.E.C.  
COUNTRIES HAS LED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES  
TO BELIEVE THAT THERE HAS BEEN A FUNDAMENTAL SHIFT  
IN THE BALANCE OF ECONOMIC POWER IN THEIR FAVOUR  
AND THAT THIS COULD BE USED TO COMPEL DEVELOPED  
COUNTRIES TO TAKE MEASURES TO IMPROVE THE DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES' TERMS OF TRADE. AT THE SIXTH  
SPECIAL SESSION OF THE U. N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY, HELD  
IN APRIL/MAY 1974, THE IDEA OF THE N.I.E.O. WAS  
LAUNCHED AND RESOLUTIONS PROCLAIMING IT WERE ADOPTED  
BY CONSENSUS DESPITE SERIOUS RESERVATIONS ON THE PART  
OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES. THE N.I.E.O. IS REPRESENTED  
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BY A SERIES OF DEMANDS MADE BY THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES  
AND COVERING A WIDE RANGE OF TRADE, AID AND MONETARY  
MATTERS (AS WELL AS SOME MORE PURELY "POLITICAL"  
ISSUES). UNTIL NOW, DEVELOPED COUNTRIES GENERALLY HAVE  
BEEN UNABLE TO ACCEPT MORE THAN A VERY FEW OF THESE  
DEMANDS BUT THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE SO FAR SHOWN  
THEMSELVES UNWILLING TO MAKE ANY ADEQUATE ACKNOWLEDGE-  
MENT OF DEVELOPED COUNTRIES' RESERVATIONS.  
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